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SUBJECT: DISAPPEARANCE OF MARIO GERARDO YACUB, PRESIDENT  
BUENOS AIRES LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)  
U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS  
Margaret P. Grafeld, Director  
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1. WILLIAM WIPFLER, HEAD OF THE LATIN AMERICAN SECTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES TELEPHONED ARA/ECA TO INQUIRE ABOUT DISAPPEARANCE OF MARIO GERARDO YACUB, PRESIDENT OF THE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF BUENOS AIRES. WIPFLER SAID COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS IN GENEVA HAD TOLD HIM FOLLOWING: YACUB WAS KIDNAPPED AT 10:00 A.M. ON NOVEMBER 8 BY SIX ARMED CIVILIANS. HE WAS TAKEN FROM HIS OFFICE AT CALLE PALCAHUANO 638. WIPFLER SAID YACUB HAS STOOD OUT HEROICALLY IN THE DEFENSE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS. WIPFLER FEARED THAT YACUB MIGHT BE KILLED IF THE QUESTION OF HIS DISAPPEARANCE IS NOT RAISED URGENTLY.

2. THIS DISAPPEARANCE WILL OBVIOUSLY GENERATE CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE UNITED STATES. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER INFORMATION EMBASSY MIGHT BE ABLE TO

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PROVIDE ON YACUB.

3. OFFICES OF CONGRESSMEN DRINAN ANDHARKIN HAVE NOW  
EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CASE. DRINAN'S OFFICE REQUESTS  
THAT CONGRESSMAN BE BRIEFED BY EMBASSY ON THIS DIS-  
APPEARANCE. KISSINGER

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